

REMARKS

Claims 15-19 and 26-32 are pending. Claims 20-25 have been canceled. Claims 15, 26, 27 and 30 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

Claims 15-19 and 26-32 were rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Mullaney (U.S. Patent No. 5,917,484). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 15 recites "means for displaying a second screen with an option on the display unit, the option having a same appearance regardless of the display language currently displayed, wherein the first screen is displayed when the option is designated on the second screen."

The Examiner asserts that Mullaney discloses means for displaying a second screen with an option on the display unit, the option having a same appearance regardless of the display language currently selected.

In the Examiner's response to Applicant's previous arguments, he notes that Applicant has maintained that Mullaney does not teach that the "back" button of Fig. 5 will have the same appearance regardless of the language selected in Fig. 4. The Examiner disagreed with Applicant's remarks and asserted that Mullaney clearly teaches that regardless of the language selected on the language selection screen in Fig. 4, the user may view the screens of Figs. 5-8 in his own native language. As a result, the screens of Figs. 5-8 will have the same appearance regardless of the language selected on the language selection screen of Fig. 4. Since claim 15 has been amended to clarify that the option will have the same appearance regardless of the display language currently displayed, the Examiner's arguments are moot. Further, Applicant submits that Mullaney does not teach that the "back" button of Fig. 5 will have the same appearance regardless of the language displayed in Fig. 4. Thus, the features of claim 15 are not taught or suggested by Mullaney. Since claim 27 also recites this feature, it is allowable for the same reasons claim 15 is allowable.

Claim 26 has been amended to recite "the dedicated key switch being used only for displaying the display language selecting screen on the display unit."

The Examiner asserts that the user in Mullaney can invoke the language selected screen in one of two ways, by entering an appropriate command or upon powering up the system (citing col. 5, lines 4-7). The Examiner asserts that the user can initiate the language selected screen by rebooting the computer by pressing the power on/off or restart button on the system. Thus, the

Examiner considers that the power on/off or reset button corresponds to the claimed dedicated key switch. Applicant respectfully disagrees.

As claimed, the dedicated key switch is a switch which is exclusively used to display the display language screen. Claim 26 has been amended to clarify this fact. The power on/off or restart buttons of Mullaney are not dedicated solely to the function of displaying the display language screen. Therefore, the features of claim 26 are not taught or suggested by Mullaney.

Claim 30 has been amended to recite "displaying a third screen with the option in the second display language, said option having a same appearance as in the first screen although the third screen is displayed in the second language." Thus, claim 30 is allowable for the same reasons claim 15 is allowable.

The remaining claims are allowable at least due to their respective dependencies. Applicant respectfully requests that this rejection be withdrawn.

Claims 20-25 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mullaney (U.S. Patent No. 5,917,484, in view of Microsoft Internet Explorer ("IE")). Claims 20-25 have been canceled by the present amendment, therefore this rejection is moot.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

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relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 325772015100.

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